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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Michel Kubacki

Title: METHODS, RACK AND DEVICE
FOR PREPARING SAMPLES
FOR ANALYSIS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.115

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the present Application, Applicant respectfully requests that the application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: